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Re: ***Ex Parte* Submission Pertaining to the Merger of SBC
Communications Inc. & Ameritech Corporation
CC Docket No. 98-141**

Dear Ms. Salas:

Please find attached as Exhibit 1 two copies of an *ex parte* submission by Patrick J. Grant, Esq. of Arnold & Porter on behalf of SBC Communications Inc. in the above-referenced docket. This letter (with variations only to reflect the name and address of the individual recipient) was attached to the courtesy and service copies of the Joint Opposition of SBC Communications Inc. and Ameritech Corporation to Petitions to Deny and Reply to Comments that were hand delivered or sent by overnight mail yesterday to the following FCC Commissioners and staff: Honorable William E. Kennard; Honorable Harold Furchtgott-Roth; Honorable Susan Ness; Honorable Michael K. Powell; Honorable Gloria Tristani; Kathryn Brown, Esq.; James L. Casserly, Esq.; Daniel Connors, Esq.; Kyle D. Dixon, Esq.; Ari Fitzgerald, Esq.; Paul Gallant, Esq.; Karen Gulick, Esq.; Kevin J. Martin, Esq.; Paul E. Misener, Esq.; Thomas Power, Esq.; Peter A. Tenhula, Esq.; Christopher J. Wright, Esq.; Jeff Lanning, Esq.; Tom Krattenmaker, Esq.; Mr. Bill Rogerson; Mr. Patrick DeGraba; Lawrence Strickling, Esq.; William Dever, Esq.; Jordan Goldstein, Esq.; Radhika Karmarkar, Esq.; Linda Kinney, Esq.; Carol E. Matthey, Esq.; Ms. Janice Myles; Michael H. Pryor, Esq.; Donald K. Stockdale, Esq.; Dan Phythyon, Esq.; Mr. Gary Devlin; Mr. Terry Fishel; Mr. James N. Loughry; Jeanine Poltronieri, Esq.; Jonathan Radin, Esq.; Ms. Mary Shultz; Mr. Eric Smith; Mr. Walter Strack; Pieter van Leeuwen, Esq.; Steve Weingarten, Esq.; Ms. Elizabeth Williams; Barbara Esbin, Esq.; and Alexandra Field, Esq.

In addition, please find attached as Exhibit 2 two copies of an *ex parte* submission by Patrick J. Grant, Esq. of Arnold & Porter on behalf of SBC Communications Inc. in the above-referenced docket. This letter was attached to the service copies of the Joint Opposition of SBC Communications Inc. and Ameritech Corporation to Petitions to Deny and Reply to Comments that were hand delivered yesterday to Regina Keeney, Esq.

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Sincerely yours,

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The Applicants welcome your careful review of this Reply and stand ready to provide any additional information that you believe would be useful in connection with your consideration of this matter.

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